

## CUSTOMS PRIVILEGES FOR DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL

*Exchange of notes at Washington January 5 and 17, 1933  
Entered into force January 17, 1933*

Department of State files

*The Secretary of State to the Swedish Minister*

JANUARY 5, 1933

SIR:

I have the honor to inform you that the Department has been advised by the American Minister at Stockholm that clerks and other Legation employees not of Swedish nationality enjoy the privilege of importing articles for their personal use free of duty, as well as free entry on arrival and return from leave. Upon receipt of this information, the Department communicated with the Treasury Department with a view to obtaining like privileges for the clerks and other employees of Swedish nationality at the Swedish Legation in Washington.

I have pleasure in informing you that the Department is now in receipt of a reply from the Treasury Department consenting to the extension of the above mentioned privilege to the clerks and other employees of your Legation who are Swedish nationals and not engaged in any private occupation for gain, on the understanding that no article the importation of which is prohibited by the laws of the United States shall be imported by them. The arrangement, which will be effective immediately, includes free entry on arrival and return to their posts after leave of absence spent abroad and free entry of articles imported by such employees for personal use at any time during their employment as above stated. Domestic servants employed by members of the Legation Staff will not be accorded the privilege of free importation of articles for their personal use subsequent to arrival.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:

W. R. CASTLE, JR.

Mr. W. BOSTROM

*Minister of Sweden*

*The Swedish Minister to the Secretary of State*

LEGATION OF SWEDEN  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

JANUARY 17, 1933

SIR:

I have the honour to acknowledge with best thanks the receipt of Your Excellency's note dated January 5, 1933, by which you were kind enough to inform me that according to information received from the Treasury Department clerks and other employees of this Legation who are Swedish nationals and not engaged in any private occupation for gain will be accorded the privilege of importing articles for their personal use, free of duty, as well as free entry on arrival and return from leave, on the understanding that no article the importation of which is prohibited by the laws of the United States shall be imported by them.

With renewed assurances of my highest consideration, I have the honour to remain, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. BOSTROM

The Honourable,  
HENRY L. STIMSON  
*Secretary of State*  
*etc. etc. etc.*  
*Washington, D.C.*